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## PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

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[Reports to the Surgeon-General Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

*Summary of work in Chinese and Japanese districts in San Francisco  
for week ended October 3, 1903.*

The following is received from Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue, at San Francisco, under date of October 5, being record of work in Chinatown for week ended October 3, 1903:

Buildings reinspected.....	221
Rooms .....	1, 633
Persons inspected .....	1, 917
Sick .....	44
Sick prescribed for at Oriental Dispensary .....	14
Dead examined .....	8
Necropsies .....	2
Rats examined bacteriologically.....	39
Number showing pest inspection .....	1
Places limed and disinfected .....	1, 252
Times streets swept.....	3
Sewers flushed .....	16
Notices served to abate plumbing nuisances .....	22
Plumbing nuisances abated .....	11
Number instructed to abate nuisances.....	36
Total number of plumbing inspections.....	131

*Plague death in San Francisco bacteriologically confirmed.*

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., *October 2, 1903.*

WYMAN, *Washington.*

Diagnosis bacteriologically confirmed in case 102.

BLUE.

NOTE.—This death occurred September 13. Nationality of patient, Canadian.

*Measures for checking smallpox in Maine.*

QUARANTINE, PORTLAND, ME., *October 2, 1903.*

SIR: I have the honor to quote from Acting Asst. Surg. H. H. Hammond's report of sanitary work performed for the Service during the month of September as follows:

During the month I visited 16 families, saw 25 cases (smallpox), and fumigated 16 houses and 2 school buildings. At present writing there are 5 cases of smallpox in the town of Madawaska, 3 in Grant Isle, and 2 in Vanburen.

I have succeeded in inducing the local boards of our various towns to offer free vaccination, but I find that many are either opposed to the measure or reluctant to submit.

Respectfully,

P. C. KALLOCH, *Surgeon.*